



NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

National Realty Sales Corporation Site 4212 Scott Street, North Charleston, South Carolina.

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) announces a 30-day period for citizens to comment on a potential Voluntary Cleanup Contract for the National Realty Sales Corporation Site. The contract, **VCC 05-5073-NRP**, will be between Bozard Trucking Company and DHEC. The contract will allow Bozard Trucking Company to purchase the property as a “Brownfields” site, which may have environmental pollution resulting from past practices. Bozard Trucking Company did not create the pollution, but wishes to buy the property for reuse. If this contract is implemented, DHEC will not hold Bozard Trucking Company liable under State Superfund laws for pre-existing contamination in exchange for performing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Program. If contamination has spread off of the property, State law will not allow affected parties to file suit against Bozard Trucking Company for the past operations; however, legal action may be pursued against any former owners or operators.

The Brownfields site being purchased by Bozard Trucking Company consists of 2.6 acres, identified as Charleston County Tax Map Parcel TMS #411-09-00-001, near the northwest corner of Veneer Drive and Scott Street. The property was previously used as a metal working shop and a welding supply facility. Environmental testing has found groundwater contamination from those operations. The National Realty Sales Corporation has completed work under a Voluntary Cleanup Contract that has made the site suitable for industrial reuse; however, low levels of groundwater contamination remain under the site.

Bozard Trucking Company intends to redevelop the property for commercial and industrial purposes. Due to the environmental pollution at the site, Bozard Trucking Company wishes to enter into a contract under DHEC’s Voluntary Cleanup Program. Under the proposed contract, Bozard Trucking Company will reimburse DHEC for oversight costs and will not allow use of any processes or chemicals similar to those that have contaminated the property. The proposed contract is available at <http://www.scdhec.gov/lwm/html/public.asp>. Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

DHEC promotes redevelopment and revitalization of Brownfields sites across the state so that these properties do not become abandoned or unusable. Public comments on proposed Brownfields contracts assist DHEC in balancing the environmental and redevelopment issues to be in the best interest of the state. Any comments or questions may be directed to Craig Dukes, SCDHEC – Bureau of Land and Waste Management, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201; email dukescv@dhec.sc.gov, TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Citizens may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the National Realty Corporation Site contract # **VCC 05-5073-NRP** until January 24, 2006.